Lincoln Cent Quarterly

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Another record price for a Lincoln Cent proof. ANA Sale, 2003.
See other pr ices from this sale on pages 8-10.

Superb Full Red 1909 Matte Proof Cent

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5747 1909 PR67 Red PCGS. The plain 1909 cent is the more commonly seen variety of the two types produced this year. The *Guide Book* lists 2,198 pieces struck as matte proofs, however, this superlative example is, without doubt, the finest we have seen! The creamy surfaces are smooth and original. Typically, many of these cents were stored in paper envelopes causing them to tone to varying shades of reddish-brown. Somehow, this one escaped that fortune, and has remained fully brilliant and pristine as the day it was coined almost 100 years ago. After careful examination, there are no reportable detractions. For pedigree purposes, a microscopic fleck is barely visible above the first 9 of the date. A rare opportunity for the advanced collector that will probably not be repeated for a long time. Population: 5 in 67, 1 finer (4/03).
From the I.S. Memorial Collection. (See Color Photo)

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Mail Bid Sale Rules

Consignor's Rules:

1. Consignors must be members of SLCC.
2. Lots must be small cents—sets, rolls, singles, albums, clearly marked to date and grade.
3. Selection for Mail Bid Sale is up to SLCC.
4. No altered, counterfeit, damaged, or loose coins accepted.
5. Invoice listing all coins must accompany the consignment. Placement will be in the next mail bid sale—if possible, space permitting.
6. Payment will be made 45 days after the close of the sale—or sooner, if possible. Ten percent of the bid price will go to SLCC. There is no bidder's fee, except postage and insurance.
7. Unsold "reserve" lots are charged 5% of the reserve.

Bidder's Rules:

1. Bidders must be members of SLCC.
2. Bids must be in 25c, 50c, or whole dollar amounts.
3. All lots are open unless marked "reserve".
4. Use the enclosed bid sheet or copy.
5. Bids must arrive on or before the closing date.
6. Late bids will not be honored.
7. No "open" bids accepted.
8. Bidders bidding on their own lots are charged 5% if not overbid.
9. Bid sheets must include current mailing address and daytime telephone number
10. Bidder's are responsible for their own errors—make bids legible.
11. There is a 5 day return privilege—no questions asked—EXCEPT for slabbed coins and lots paid for more than five days after receipt. Coins submitted for encapsulation that come back less than the grade sold for are not returnable UNLESS marked "counterfeit" or "altered".
12. Bidders' and consignors' rules are subject to change without notice.

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Taylor Speaks at ANA

Dr. Sol Taylor was a featured speaker at the Numismatic Theater at the recent ANA Convention in Baltimore, August 1st. The topic was "Cherrypicking the Lincoln Cent". The talk was illustrated with a series of overhead projections showing some of the lesser known doubled dies and some dramatic repunched mintmarks (RPMs) that can be found in one's own collection, in a dealer's stock book, or even in rolls of coins. Several new SLCC members were recruited as a result and several books were sold. About 25 people were in attendance at the last talk of the day. One collector indicated a few days later that in his own album he found that his 1909VDB was the doubled die 1-0-IV and that his un 1917 was the rare 1-0-I

. He was told to have both coins slabbed to enhance their value. Taylor pointed out the actual coins he had found by using his loupe as often as possible in examining coins in albums, in rolls, and in stock books. Since the Red Book only lists a tiny percentage of the known Lincoln Cent DDs and RPMs, the *Standard Guide to the Lincoln Cent 4th edition* is a very handy resource book to study before going out cherrypicking.

He offered new 10x brass loupes for the audience. For SLCC members the loupes ar available for $9.95 (postpaid). They also make a good gift for the new collector. Each loupe comes in a snap-lock padded case.

The new members are listed in the Membership Report and marked with an asterisk (*).

As usual the ANA convention catered to a large public audience, many transactions, and fine exhibits. The highlight exhibit was the first time exhibit of all five known 1913 Liberty head nickels in one display plus the holders some were previously kept in and th stories of their owners from Sam Brown (who owned all five back in 1913) to their current owners. Taylor was at the San Diego ANA convention in 1968 when Aubrey Beebe paid $46,000 for his 1913 nickel which he later donated to the ANA Museum. Each coin is valued at well over one million dollars today. Each coin has a very colorful history with the last one showing up just as the show opened—known as "the missing 1913 nickel"—it was housed at Stacks for some years marked as a "non genuine 1913". In addition, two altered 1913 coins were on display (made from 1910 coins).

The fabled U.S. Treasury exhibit included the uncut sheet of $100,000 notes and th billion dollar pair of Treasury notes plus other exciting displays plus their printing press which rolled out souvenir sheets for the public to buy.

The few dealers who were interviewed by Taylor indicated the show was "very good". Likewise, the auction results were very strong as with the most recent auctions. We hope to have some Lincoln cent results elsewhere in this issue. Again, the choicest (MS66-up) issues are matching prices with the better known silver and gold rarities.

Membership News

We lost a lifelong numismatist, Murray Singer (1913-2003), past president NASC, ICCLA, and LACC pioneer.

Jon Dillard was dropped from SLCC for failure to honor bids in Mail Bid sale #117

A total of seven members were dropped from SLCC for failure to pay dues (after 2 reminders).

Lincoln Bicentennial Plans

In the last issue of LCQ, we printed a story from Coin World regarding the Lincoln Bicentennial commission. There will be commemorative coins—what exactly remains up in the air.

SLCC suggested a while ago—and again—that one commemorative could be a large cent of pure copper of the style of 1809 with Lincoln's portrait instead of the capped Liberty and the dates 1809-2009 below. The reverse could bear the same wreath as the 1809 cent with the inscription "Abraham Lincoln/Bicentennial" and the USA and "E.Pluribus.Unum" and "ONE CENT". A commemorative large cent seems fitting for the Lincoln coin we are most familiar with for almost a century. And in proof it would certainly be a looker.

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Indian Set Registry on Display

The finest known privately owned set of Indian head cents was on display as "Pittsburgh Set" at the ANA. Each coin was either the finest known or tied for the finest known and most were either MS66RD or PR66RD *OR HIGHER!*

It was a glowing sight even inside the display case under normal lighting. We wonder how many visitors really appreciated seeing such an assembly of superb coins.

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Indian Collection in Mail Bid Sale

The majority of pieces of a privately held collection assembled perhaps fifty-sixty years ago is in the current Mail Bid Sale #119. Most have not been certified and the grading assigned by SLCC is conservative since some are toned, or previously cleaned, or been in an album too many years. The key dates and high end slabbed coins were consigned to a major auction and brought HUGE prices.

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No bidder's fee in SLCC sales

As a reminder to new bidders, SLCC does not charge a buyer's fee for coins in our mail bid sales. The consignor is charged ten percent of the successful bid price. The buyer is charged for postage and insurance costs. Consignments always welcome.

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Mail Bid Sale #119 - Closing date for receiving bids october 26, 2003.

Chicago Consignment

This is acollection assembled largely from circulation in the past 50-70 years, with a few pieces later slabbed.

Lot description

1 1858 Flying Eagle small letters, XF45, full feathers, cleaned long ago, some small areas of grit on obv., Overall solid Xf value.

2 1859 G6

3 1860 XF. full LIBERTY

4 1864 Copper nickel XF, couple small obv dings full LIBERTY +1865 AG obv/G4 rev.

5 1868 full LIBERTY F15,grainy surface, net VG8 value

6 1869/9 *AU50 cleaned long ago, strong features, Two odd reverse die breaks-one diagonal across shield lines and one across 0 in ONE. RARE in higher grades. L&C offers a F15 at $350. Top of second 9 clearly and strongly visible. Worth $500+*

7 1870 Fair obv, AG reverse. Pitting obv. Net grade Fr2, RARE in any grade.

8 1872 G4 obv, few old scratches, Rev G4, overall solid good value. Trends $64.

9 1873 closed 3, MS64 lightly cleaned, shows plenty mint luster, Some smudges obv, Net value AU55 Plenty red showing. Trend value $250.

10 1874 XF full LIBERTY, dark, some edge pitting, Net grade VF20, Value $60+.

11 1880 MS64RB, one rev spot, Flashy colors. Few teeny (under 10x) obv dings.

12 1881 MS64RD, mint tan and russet gold, rainbow hues. Few teensy facial specks. Nice eye appeal.

13 1882 AU50RD, cleaned. still Net value AU50. Value $35+.

14 1883 MS64RD, finger mark obv. Lots of mint red. Light fingermakrs visible on rev under 10x. Est value $100+.

15 1887 MS63RB sharp details more BN than RB.

16 1888 MS63RD, cleaned long ago but still red, hairlines visible under 10x, Great eye appeal.

17 1891 VF some minor grainy surface areas

18 1892 AU55RD, cleaned, Looks BU at arm's length. Still worth $50+.

19 1893 MS64RD, nice mint red, possibly cleaned long ago. Net value MS60RD.

20 1894 MS64RD, few tiny spots obv and rev. Worth MS63RD value.

20A *1896 Proof 64BN, glossy deep irldenscent obv, Rev. darker chocolate/purple. Worth $200+. All Proof Indians are scarce.*

21 1898 MS64RD, somestreaks rev. Light RB toning obv. Mostly red.

22 1899 MS63RB, teeny facial ticks visible under 10x.

23 1900 MS63BN, red showing at the rims, few tiny obv and rev spots.

24 1901 MS63RB small rim cuds rev. Mixed toning.

25 1902 *Proof 65RB, NGC/ANA crystal surfaces of purple, gold, aqua, and crimson. A gem to behold. L&C priced at $540.00 same grade and NGC. Should bring close to $500. Proof 65 Indians bringing over $500 at auction and for RD well over $800.*

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26 1902 MS64BN, hint of RB, glossy surfaces. Few small rim cuds on the rev at K2.
27 1903 MS64RB, spot at rim K11 rev. Net grade MS63RB.
28 1904 AU55RB, cleaned and toned long ago, strong details.
29 1905 PR64BN. Uniformly toned pale tan with copper undertoning. Flashes of red at the rims. If slabbed, color might be other than BN--since there is no brown in the color and the surfaces are light, not dark. Value of PR64RB.
30 1906 MS64RB obv, more red rev. Some reverse streaks.
31 1907 MS64RB, more red rev. Darker obv. + 1907 AU58BN, sharp.
32 1908 AU55RB, rev brighter (cleaned), + 1909 MS63RB, full golden reverse.

(More key Indians lots 91-99.)

Missouri consignment
33 1970S Large date PCGS MS65RD
34 1983 PCGS MS66RD

Michigan consignment
35 1910 VF cleaned, brassy color + 1910 AU55RB mostly BN
36 1915D AU58 (might slab higher) sharp glossy BN, with red highlights. Rev. rim cud at K10 + 1916S G6
37 1937P, 1939P both MS65RD
38 1942P&D both MS65RD
39 1945P,D,S all 3 MS65RD
40 1946P, 1947D&S all 3 MS65RD
41 1949P,S, 1954D,S, 1955D all MS65RD and 1951D MS65RB (6 coisn this lot)
42 1958P,D, 1959P,D, 1960P,D large, 1960P,D small, 1961D, 1962, 1963D, 1964P,D (13 pieces) all MS65RD
43 Special Mint set pieces: 1965 SMS65RD, 1966 SMS65RD, 1967 SMS67RD + 1966 NTC SMS67RD full proof-like (a match to any PR67 piece of other dates). 1967 NTC MS67RD SMS. (5 coins, 2 in slabs this lot)
44 1968P,D,S, 1969P,D,S, 1970P,D, 1971D, 1972S (all MS65RD) (10 pieces this lot)

The term "ms" in the following lots refers to the fact that the coin is still in the mint sealed wrapper from the U.S. issued Mint Set.

45 1973P,D,S ms, 1974D, 1975D, 1977P,Dms, all MS65RD
46 1978P,Dms, 1980P,Dms, 1981, 1982D, 1983P,Dms, 1984P,Dms, all MS65RD
47 1985P,Dms, 1987D, 1988Dms, 1989Dms, 1992P,Dms, 1993P,Dms, 1995Dms, 1997Dms, 1999D, 2001P,Dms, 2002D (2x), all MS65RD
48 3 BU rolls 1968P, 1964D, and 1960D large all BU (150 coins)

Lots 49-52 are proof singles

49 1960 PR65 (spot obv rim), 1961 PR69,1970S PR65, 1974S PR68CAM
50 1964 PR68, 1968S PR65 (2x), 1969S PR69, 1970S PR65, 1974S PR68CAM
51 1977S PR68DCAM, 1979 I PR68DCAM, 1981S II PR65DCAM

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52 1984S PR69DCAM, 1993S PR69DCAM, 2000 PR69DCAM, 2002S PR69DCAM

. . 53-64 are slabbed coins by various certification services...

53 1949 NTC MS66RD

54 1961 SGS PR70*

55 1963 ANACS PF66RD

56 1963 SGS PR70*

57 1964 PCGS PR66DCAM

58 1966 PCI SMS MS65Cameo

59 1967 SGS SMS69*

60 1972S SGS PR70CAM*

61 1972S SGS PR70CAM*)same as above)

61A 1973S ANACS PF64RD, light toning halo effect

62 1973S SGS PR70CAM*

The (*) indicates that there is also a certificate that accompanies the slabbed coin.

63 1979S I TGS PR66 UltraCameo

64 1990S SGS PR70CAM*

Van Nuys Consignment

65 Whitman folder 1909-1940 - 73 circulated pieces, Missing all the keys. Has 1926S. Avg circ up to 1930 and mostly F-XF page three. Nice starter set.

66 Whitman folder 1909-1940 - 76 pices as above. Inclues: 1911D, 1912D, 1915PDS-1924, 1924S-1931, 1932D-1940PDS. Nice starter set. Page 3 all F-XF.

67 1922D XF strong obv late die state reverse.

68 1924D ANACS AU55, Brown, some luster at the rims.

69 1932 PCGS MS66RD, flashy gem.

70 1936 DDO#2 ANACS MS64RB, L&C has one listed for $500.

71 Whitman folder 1941P,D,S-1958P,D Complete F-XF few AU and BU coins. 51 pieces. Complete from 1941-1958.

Texas Consignment

72 1909VDB MS66RD, very fresh mint gold

73 1910 MS65RB, more BN than RB, sharp

74 1912S MS64BN, traces of red

75 1912 NGC/ANA MS64RB, more red than RB

76 1920 MS64RD, blotchy red

77 1926 PCGS MS64RD, in old style PCGS holder

78 1928D NGC/ANA MS62RB, sharp, but irregular color red.

79 1932D MS64RD, sharp flashy red

80 1935D MS65RD

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81 1936S MS64RB and 1937 MS66RD, flashy gem

82 1942D MS66RD and 1942S MS65RD, nice pair

Los Angeles Consignment

83 1909 Fine12, 1909VDB AU55, traces of red

84 1911D G5, 1919D VF20

85 1921 Fine 15, 1927S VG8

86 1924D VF25, semikey + 1926S VF20 semikey

87 1933 AU55 obv cleaned and retoned RB

88 *Set Registry Caliber: 1995 doubled die NGC/ANA MS68RD. L&C priced at $240, B&M fixed price list lists it at $210. See ad on P.236 of SGLC 4th ed. which has ad listing it for $595 in 1995.*

North : Calif lot

89 1956D NGC/ANA MS67RD, only a couple dozen grade this high. See the 1955D lot in ANA sale which went for $2,415 PCGS MS67RD. This is just as rare or scrace. Reserve only $150.

U.K. lot

90 1974S AU, 1975S-1983S (no 1982S) all PF63-64RD/RB. 8 Proofs and one AU=9 pieces total.

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Membership Report

R1472	Barton L. Nowlin	TX
R1473	larry Choate	CA
R1474	Robert C. McCully	UT
R1475	Stephen F. Bryant	MO
R1476	Ted Gillum	SD
R1477	Joseph Trezza	NY
R1478	Michael S. Passet	NY
R1479	Dale Chaney	TX
R1480	William Chisler	MO
R1481	Laurel W. Pirckle	TX
R1482	James DeLeo MD	FL
R1403	Bynum V. Hancock Jr	NC
R1484	Herbert Winegard	NC
R1485	Fred Hansen	AZ
R1486	Robert F Keller	OH
R1487	Terrence A. Martell	WA
R1488	Cecil W. Webster	AK
R1489	Frederick Langford	CA
R1490	Thomas Sheering	WA
R1491	Mike Niespodzinski	NY
R1492	Robert W. Slater	FL
R1493	Benj H Peters III	TN
R1494	Nick Rizos	SC
R1495	Donald E Wedekinbd	NJ*
R1496	Nick Kurlick	MD*
R1497	Mark Olanoff	MD*
R1498	Ray Toman	OH*
R1499	D. Glenn Michalis	PA*
R1500	Mike Miller	KY*

* signed up at ANA in Baltimore

R1501	Harvey Hinson	VA
R1502	Guy Adorno	NY
R1503	Kenneth N Headley	VA
R1504	Russ LeBeau	NC
R1505	Pete Lira	AZ
R1506	Dennis Coffman	VA
R1507	Hayward S. Houghton	PA
R1508	William Corum	MO

Some Recent Auction Results

Member **Mike Batkin** sends us results from the ANA auction held in Baltimore July 30-Aug. 2, 2003.

In addition to the selected highlight coins listed below there were some other price breakers:

1909 VDB NGC PR64Red $3,910
1909 NGC PR65 Red $1,092
1909S VDB NGC MS65RB $2,760
1914D PCGS MS63 RB $2,072
1914D ANAC$. MS64 RB $2,990
1936 DDO Variety 2 FS-015 PCGS MS65RD $1,725
(Though much scarcer than the better known 1955/55, this sells for much less--about 70% less--see next two lots--ed note)
1955 DDO I PCGS MS64RB $6,612
1955 DDO I PCGS MS64 Red $7475
1955D PCGS MS67RD $2875 (ed note--this coin can be bought by the roll and there must be some more MS67RDs to be cherry picked)
1958 PCGS MS67RD $2,415 (same comment as above)

See the next page for catalogue page examples. With these high prices, more collectors are sending their Lincolns to auction than ever before.

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Auction # 11440 - Closed 07/30/2003 10:00 a.m. PST.

LOT #	TITLE	PHOTO	FINAL BID w/ BUYER'S FEE
258	1889 Indian Head Cent Proof-65 RD (NGC).		$1,610.00
259	1893 Indian Head Cent MS-65 RD (NGC).		$345.00
260	1894 Indian Head Cent Proof-65 RD (PCGS).		$1,035.00
261	1895 Indian Head Cent MS-65 RD (NGC).		$0.00 *
262	Trio of Indian cents:		$748.00
263	1899 Indian Head Cent MS-65 RD (NGC).		$259.00
264	Certified small cent trio:		$604.00
265	1902 Indian Head Cent Proof-64 RB.		$173.00

Missing lot numbers were lots with no bids.

Lots marked "0.00" received no bids or had reserve bids.

276	1909-S V.D.B. Lincoln Cent MS-64 RD (PCGS).		$2,760.00
277	1909-S V.D.B. Lincoln Cent Net MS-60 (ANACS).		$1,265.00
278	1914-D Lincoln Cent MS-63 BN (PCGS).		$2,645.00
279	1917 Lincoln Cent MS-66 RD (PCGS).		$2,415.00
280	1922 Lincoln Cent No D. Strong Reverse. VF-20 (PCGS).		$920.00
281	1922 Lincoln Cent No D. VF-20.		$805.00
282	1925 Lincoln Cent MS-66 RD (PCGS).		$357.00
283	1931-S Lincoln Cent MS-65 RB (ANACS).		$196.00
284	1933-D Lincoln Cent MS-66 RD (PCGS).		$0.00 *
285	Proof Lincoln cent selection:		$489.00
286	1936 Lincoln Cent Brilliant. Proof-65 RD (PCGS).		$1,725.00
287	1937 Lincoln Cent Proof-64 RD (PCGS).		$138.00
290	1955 Doubled Die Obverse. Lincoln Cent MS-64 RB.		$2,760.00
291	1955 Doubled Die Obverse. Lincoln Cent MS-63 RD.		$2,760.00
292	1955 Doubled Die Obverse. Lincoln Cent MS-63 RD.		$2,300.00
293	1955 Doubled Die Obverse. Lincoln Cent AU-58 (PCGS).		$1,265.00
294	1962 Proof-69 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$0.00 *
295	1965 Special Mint Set. MS-67 RD CAM (NGC).		$1,668.00
296	1967 Special Mint Set. MS-67 RD Cameo (NGC).		$0.00 *
297	1968-S Proof-69 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$0.00 *
298	1968-S Proof-68 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$259.00
299	1969-S Proof-69 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$863.00
300	1970-S Large Date. Proof-69 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$0.00 *
301	1970-S Large Date. Proof-68 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$115.00
302	1971-S Proof-68 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$414.00
303	1975-S Proof-69 RD DCAM (PCGS).		$299.00
304	1984 Lincoln Cent Doubled Die Obverse. MS-66 RD (PCGS).		$305.00
305	1995 Lincoln Cent Doubled Die Obverse. MS-68 RD (PCGS).		$184.00

1987-D MS68 Red PCGS. A conditionally rare example with fiery-red luster and a full strike. Population: 14 in 68, 0 finer at either service (4/03). 603

1995 Doubled Die Obverse MS68 Red PCGS. FS-40. LIBERTY is widely die doubled, with lesser doubling on IN GOD. A well struck Superb Gem with fiery orange-red color and virtually immaculate surfaces.
From the I.S. Memorial Collection. 207

1999-D MS69 Red PCGS. An amazing coin with pristine surfaces and a near sharp strike. The surfaces are fully prooflike and if the D mintmark was replaced by an S, except for the rim, this coin could easily be called a proof.
From the Stephen and Dianne Stokely Collection. 276

2000-D MS69 Red PCGS. Brilliant and lustrous with golden-tan patina, satin surfaces, and no mentionable flaws. Much scarcer than one might imagine with only three examples certified in MS69 by PCGS, and none finer (4/03). 862

2001-D MS69 Red PCGS. Boldly struck with satin surfaces and bright golden patina. There is a small discoloration on Lincoln's face that appears to have been caused by an spot of grease (or some other impurity) present during the minting process. This is not readily noticeable to the unaided eye. Population: 10 in 69, 0 finer (4/03).
From the Stephen and Dianne Stokely Collection. 368

SMS LINCOLN CENTS

1964 SMS MS65 Red PCGS. Sharply struck with some spotting and slightly muted obverse luster. We do not know exactly under what circumstances these sets were prepared, but it seems likely that the Philadelphia Mint produced these experimental 1964-dated coins sometime during mid-1965 as part of its quest for a suitable replacement for proof coins. Large estimates that somewhere between 15 and 25 such pieces are known today, and he speculates that they were struck in either the Summer or Fall of 1965.

~~No Lot~~ 1964 SMS 65 RD PCGS $57.50

1965 SMS MS67 Ultra Cameo NGC. An meticulously struck Superb Gem that has noticeable contrast and relatively unabraded surfaces. A few toning flecks on each side are noted for accuracy. NGC has certified just two Special Mint Set examples as Ultra Cameo, one in MS64 with the present coin as the finest certified.
From the V. A. Everest Collection.

1966 SMS MS68 Red PCGS. This lovely Superb Gem has ebullient gold and peach color and exquisite semi-prooflike surfaces. The strike is not quite full in the lower reverse field, and a tiny spot is concealed near the lower left corner of the Memorial. Population: 44 in 68, 1 finer (4/03).
From the I.S. Memorial Collection. 276

1967 SMS MS68 Red PCGS. Gorgeous cherry-red color and shimmering semi-prooflike luster combine with seemingly immaculate surfaces for exceptional eye appeal. Struck from slightly rotated dies. Population: 37 in 68, 0 finer (4/03).
From the I.S. Memorial Collection. 253

THE ROBERT FRY COLLECTION OF MATTE PROOF LONCOLN CENTS

Gem Full Red Proof 1909 VDB Cent

13,800

5736 1909 VDB PR65 Red PCGS. The fact that three examples the VDB proof are present in one auction does not diminish any way the absolute rarity of this low mintage issue. Nor d it serve as a comment about the scarcity of this issue with red surfaces, as the vast majority of those known show so degree of brown on each side. The finely granular surfaces this coin show even red color over both obverse and reve This is a problem-free proof with no appreciable carbon either side; in fact, the only negative thing we can say ab this lot is that the holder has that "tired" look and should changed out. Population: 6 in 65, 11 finer (4/03).
From the Robert Fry Collection of Matte Proof Lincolns. (S Color Photo)

Popular 1909 Lincoln Cent, Gem Matte Proof

1,322

5737 1909 PR65 Red PCGS. Brilliant golden-red color overall w splashes of cherry-red at selected portions of the obverse reverse. A full, sharp strike and high wire edge are both pres and indicative of this coin's careful manufacture.
From the Robert Fry Collection of Matte Proof Lincolns.

Gem Full Red 1910 Matte Proof Cent

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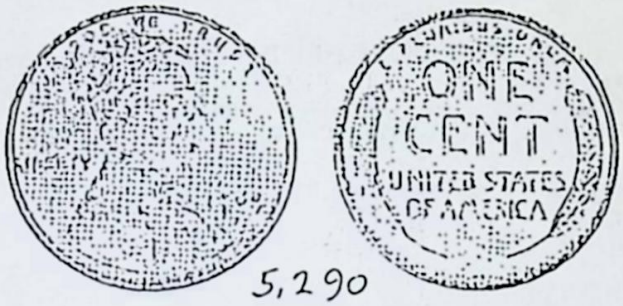
5738 1910 PR65 Red PCGS. Even though the 1910 is one of more readily available matte proof Lincoln cents, it is certai a difficult issue to locate with full red mint luster. Intricat detailed, the glowing mint red surfaces are lightly spotted each side, this being the only deterrent we see to an even hi er grade. Population: 39 in 65, 21 finer (4/03).
From the Robert Fry Collection of Matte Proof Lincolns.

Uncommonly Attractive 1909 VDB Cent
PR65 Red and Brown



5,290

5745 1909 VDB PR65 Red and Brown PCGS. The vibrant crimson-red coloration appears slightly muted at certain angles, but the eye appeal hardly suffers from this feature. There are no surface blemishes of note and the devices display the crispness of strike that one would expect of proof production methods. Remarkably elusive at the present level and always in demand for first-year type purposes. Population: 18 in 65, only 3 finer (4/03). *From the Gary G. Walker Collection*

Mail Bid Sale #119 continued..
Long Beach Consignment
Lot Description

91 1870 Indian ICG G4, nice even wear

92 *1883 Indian PCGS MS64RD, lots of flashy fresh mint red.*

93 *1889 PF64RD, shimmering cherry red obv. Rev. flashy red with hairlines visible under 10x. Otherwise be PF65*

94 *1898 Indian NGC/ANA MS64RB, more red than RB. Trends $220.*

95 *1908 Indian PCGS MS63RB. Full mint gold, late die state rev. Weakness in the shield and ONE. Old style PCGS slab. Great eye appeal. Looks much better than a MS63.*

End of Mail Bid Sale #119.

SLCC Donation

We got two rolls of gems. SPECIAL.
1943D MS66 Steel mint each $3.95
Ten for $37.50
1955S MS66RD, flashy ea $1.49
Ten for $11.50
POSTPAID.

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Mail Bid Sale #118 Results

Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid
1	$12.	39	1.50
2	5.	40	7.50
3	20.50	41	2.
4	25.	42	5.
5	38.	43	2.
6	7.50	44	14.75
7	32.25	45	7.75
8	9.50	46	10.75
9	22.	47	10.50
10	16.	48	11.
11	131.	49	22.50
12	60.	50	60.75
13	47.75	51	7.50
14	14.	52	20.
15	6.	53	30.
16	9.	54	15.
17	6.	55	15.
18	4.		
19	190.		
20	245.25		
21	210.25		
22	9.		
23	2.75		
24	1.50		
25	3.		
26	45.		
27	57.75		
28	49.75		
29	9.75		
30	10.50		
31	63.		
32	6.		
33	12.		
34	16.		
35	3.		
36	nb		
37	4.		
38	29.		

\nb- no bid. There were no late bids or tie bids. 23 bidders. Lots 7,8,21 and 31 received 8 bids each.

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OFFICE OF
DIRECTOR OF THE MINT

September 16, 1981

Mr. Walter R. Davis, Jr.
P. O. Box 15361
Tampa, Florida 33684

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you for your letter of August 31st, and the suggestion it contains that Victor D. Brenner's initials on the obverse of the cent should be displayed more prominently in order that proper credit be afforded him as the designer.

We appreciate your interest in sharing your thoughts with us.

Sincerely,

Francis B. Frere
Assistant Director of the Mint
for Marketing

This is a copy of the 1981 letter requesting the initials "VDB" be more prominent on the Lincoln Cent. The initials were enlarged shortly thereafter and can be seen without a glass (if you have 20-20 vision.

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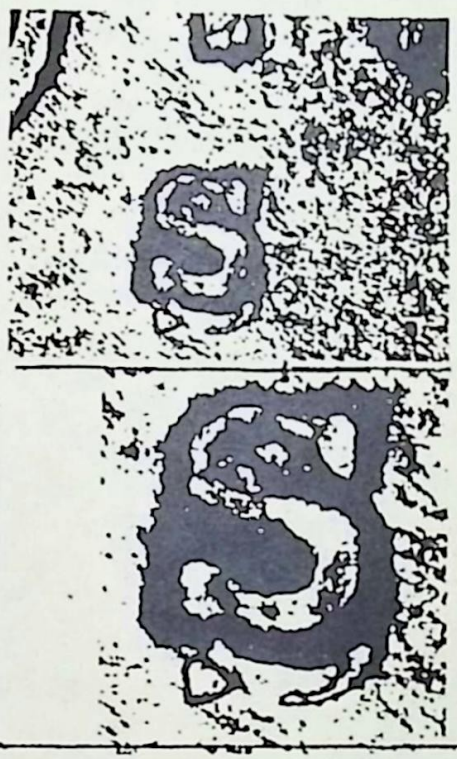
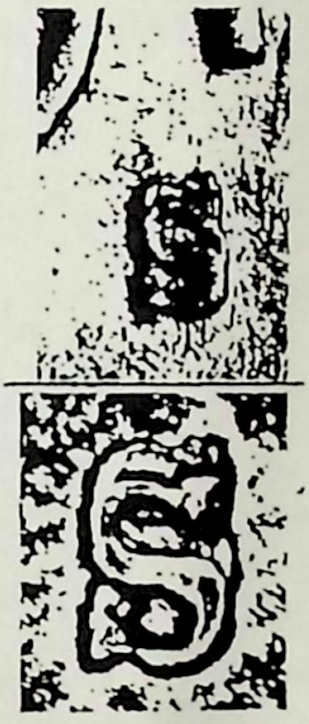
RPMs

The two repunched mint marks of 1910S illustrate two types of RPMs. RPM#1 shows traces of the first S which was partially effaced before striking the second S. The RPM#2 shows the second S punched directly over the first S with no attempt to remove the first S. Among the many RPMs in the Lincoln series, in most cases, the first mint mark was partially or nearly totally removed.



Both types of RPMs for 1910S. RPM#1 (left) shows the first S to the South. RPM#2 (right) shows first S to the north. RPM#1 is rated scarcer in BU. Both worth 30-50% more than non-RPM.



The 1956D RPM#8 illustrates an unusual case Where the final mint mark does not cover any portion Of the original mint mark—and in this case, the first D was almost totally erased thus making its discovery Less likely than the more obvious RPM#1.

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